

## \$15-A-ROOM LIMIT OR A BOYCOTT IS A BRONX THREAT

75,000 Tenants Decide to  
Pay No More—They  
Want Pre-War Rates.

Owners of new apartment houses in the Bronx who insist on charging more than \$15 a room face a boycott on the part of a tenants' organization representing 75,000 families there, according to Miss Agnes Craig, attorney for the organization.

Resolutions to this effect were recently adopted at a meeting of the Federation of Tenants' Leagues, it now remaining for the individual organizations to approve the action of the parent organization.

"We have issued, in accordance with the resolutions," said Miss Craig, "a request to the members of our league not to move into new apartments. We do not believe that owners who have the advantage of the Tax Exemption Law should charge any more than \$15 per room. We have carefully calculated costs and even where property is of high value we find they can rent at this figure with a reasonable profit."

Miss Craig says rents have come down in the old houses, wherever new apartments were offered at \$15 per room. The purpose of the campaign, she said, was not only to keep the rent situation in hand but to begin a movement that would have for its goal steps to restore rents somewhat to the level of pre-war days.

A survey by officers of the Tenement House Department and Building Department of the Bronx shows that there has been a noticeable decrease in the rentals in old houses. They attribute this situation to the necessity of owners of new buildings reducing to \$15 per room to attract quick rentals.

## GERMANY NOT A BARGAIN PARADISE

Former A. E. F. Veteran  
Returns on Celtic With  
French Bride.

Reports from passengers returning to-day on the Celtic of the White Star Line indicate that Germany is no longer a paradise for bargain hunters. The practice of changing a handful of dollars into a wagonload of marks and spending the marks is no longer profitable.

The German Government, by the imposition of export taxes, has raised the price to the American equivalent or higher on about everything that can be bought cheaply in Germany. And the Germans collect the taxes, too. Passengers complained more or less heartily of the close inspections to which they were subjected on the German frontier.

Jay C. Hormel, a grain and live stock magnate of Austin, Minn., returned on the Celtic with a bride he first met more than four years ago when he was on duty in France with the A. E. F. She was Mlle. Germaine Dubois of Paris. Mrs. Hormel came home in 1919, but continued to correspond with Mlle. Dubois. He went abroad two months ago and, finding his marriage delayed by French "red tape," went to Liverpool, where the ceremony was performed.

## GIRL FOUND ON PIER IS "TIRED OF LIFE"

Cannot Get on With Stepfather,  
She Says—Held on Mother's  
Charge.

Suspicious of a girl wandering around the pier at the foot of West 40th Street last night, two men telephoned the West 34th Street police station. Detective Thomas Enright found Marion Geyner, sixteen, who said she lived at No. 6 Hicks Avenue, Flushing, and took her to the station.

According to the police she said she was tired of life "because my mother and father are divorced and I have to live with a stepfather." She said she jumped into the river last Tuesday, but had been rescued. Mrs. Tillie Burke of No. 146 Burling Street, Flushing, the girl's mother, was sent for and when the girl said she did not want to go home, had her arrested as incorrigible.

## "BOOZE" CANDY FOOLS MANY BROOKLYNITES

Sold as High as \$2 a Pound. Has  
No Kick at All.

A quantity of candy peddled all over Brooklyn as "booze candy," when analyzed at the office of the District Attorney was found to contain no "booze," and consequently no "kick" whatever. It was a cheap candy, costing about twenty cents a pound to make, containing several flavors, and put in a fancy box, with a label implying a foreign make. This clever fake, manufactured in Brooklyn cellars, has been sold to many Brooklynites for as high as \$2 a pound.

## MRS. FLEISCHMAN WANTS HUSBAND ARRESTED

Wife Says He Haven't Paid Her  
Alimony Since May 1.

Supreme Court Justice Wasservogel to-day reserved decision in the application of Ferdinand Fleischman Jr., florist, for the reduction of the \$75 weekly alimony he has been ordered by the court to pay for the support of his wife and child. His claim is that he is unable to pay the stipulated amount because of a great decrease in his income.

Mrs. Fleischman, who lives at No. 305 West End Avenue, contends that her husband's income is sufficient and wants him arrested for contempt in refusing to pay her alimony since May 1.

## FLAPPERS GET BISHOP'S O. K., DRYS GET ROAST

No Peril in Pep and Jazz,  
Says Gailor—Prohibition  
a Farce.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., May 28.—Bishop Thomas F. Gailor, head of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America, refused to become alarmed at modern flapperdom. "The young girl of to-day is as good as she was thirty years ago," he said in a statement issued here. "There is no reason to believe we are in a period of immorality because youth is full of pep and life and jazz. I am not going into hysterics because of this shipping about of young women."

National prohibition was declared a farce by Bishop Gailor. "The reign of terror we have experienced in the past six months is not prohibition and is not enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment," his statement said.

## CONDUCTOR KILLED BETWEEN TWO CARS

Was Adjusting Trolley  
When Another Car Dashed  
in From Behind Him.

William Hart, forty, of No. 2828 Cortland Street, Coney Island, conductor on a Smith Street trolley car, was killed to-day when another Smith Street car, going in the same direction, ran into the rear of Hart's car while he was standing back of it adjusting the trolley pole.

About 250 feet south of Neptune Avenue and West Fifth Street, the trolley pole came off the trolley and Hart got off to put it back. There is a sharp turn at West Fifth Street and Neptune Avenue. Motorman John Stoner of the second car said his brakes did not work and his car crashed into the one ahead, pinning Hart between the two platforms.

There was much excitement among the twenty passengers in Hart's car and the fifteen in the second. A few of the witnesses were taken to the Coney Island Police Station, where they left their names. No arrests were made.

## \$395,000 FOR DAMAGES LIBEL SUIT DEMAND

Change of Venue Sought in  
Two Suits Brought by  
Lumber Firm.

Two actions, seeking a total of \$395,000 damages for alleged libel, brought by the Coastwise Lumber and Supply Company of No. 17 Battery Place, came into the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, to-day on argument for a change of venue. Justice Faber reserved decision on the motions, which were to transfer both actions, one from Kings County and the other from Richmond County, to New York.

It was alleged by the company that in April last J. Herbert Tate of Westwood, N. J., circulated reports orally and by letter which caused it great damage, and also called the President and the Treasurer of the company "crooks" and "thieves." This suit was for \$200,000. The second suit was brought against Tate and Harry J. Butler and his brother, Louis M. Butler, and was virtually the same as the first, save in the amount of damages asked.

## TWO BROOKLYN YOUTHS SENT TO SING SING

One Convicted of Extortion, the  
Other of Assault.

Emil Valda, twenty-two, of No. 267 West 43d Street, was sent to Sing Sing for from two to three years to-day by County Judge MacMahon in Brooklyn, on a charge of grand larceny in the second degree. Valda swindled Joseph Gill of No. 255 Furman Street out of \$290 by means of a worthless glass stone which he said was a diamond. Judge MacMahon sent Stanley Pyrrho, eighteen, of No. 215 Huron Street, Brooklyn, to Sing Sing from two and a half to five years, on a charge of assault in the second degree. He was one of three youths who assaulted Mrs. Helen McCormick, of No. 69 Greenpoint Avenue, Brooklyn, on the night of April 5.

## WILLIE JACKSON MADE \$390,000 AS PUGILIST

So Avers Wife, Opposing Reduction  
of Alimony.

Willie Jackson, lightweight pugilist, applied to-day to Justice Gavegan of the Bronx Supreme Court to modify the weekly alimony of \$125 and counsel fee of \$2,500 granted on May 17 to his wife, Mrs. Pauline Tobin. He said he could not pay this much. Mrs. Tobin, opposing the plea, said Jackson made \$390,000 in the last four years as a boxer and as late as March 22 placed \$16,000 in Treasury certificates in his safe deposit box while she was with him. Justice Gavegan reserved decision, ordering each side to submit briefs.

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## MAN WHO GRASPED LAFAYETTE'S HAND DIES AT AGE OF 100

Thomas J. West Celebrated  
Birthday at Long Island  
Home Last April.

Thomas J. West, who observed his 100th birthday on April 19 last, died yesterday at his home in Wheatley Hills, L. I. He worked in his garden last week and had almost completed the planting Wednesday, when he became ill. He died, according to his physician, from exhaustion, which induced heart strain.

He was born at No. 492 Greenwich Street, Manhattan, the thirteenth child of Joel West. He was formerly in the hat manufacturing business in Fulton Street, Brooklyn. He lived for the last fifty years in Wheatley Hills.

Mr. West used to say he believed he was the only man living in this city who had shaken the hand of Gen. Lafayette. He said he was in the arms of his nurse watching a parade in Fifth Avenue. The parade halted near him, and General Lafayette bent over and shook the baby's hand.

Mr. West could recall when there were street pumps for water supply in Manhattan, when lamp lighters went about the streets, and when there were negro chimney sweeps.

Mr. West married twice, but both wives have died. He leaves two daughters, Henrietta West and Mrs. Dora Haxley of Oakland, Cal., and a son, Edward B. West, who lives in Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn. Mr. West was an uncle of Frederick MacMonnies, who designed the statue "Civic Virtue."

## MAKES 51ST ATTEMPT TO QUIT MATTEAWAN

Former New York Lawyer  
Again Sues For Freedom  
on Writ.

Severin De Angelis, former New York lawyer who has been in Matteawan for twelve years, appeared before Justice Tierney to-day on his fifty-first writ of habeas corpus in his effort to obtain his freedom. Deputy Attorney Gen. William J. Smith was present at the hearing as the representative of Superintendent Kieff of Matteawan, opposing the release.

De Angelis was committed to Matteawan after trying to shoot Herman Messer the day Messer was to be married to a young woman De Angelis thought was infatuated with him. The lawyer was revealed as a paranoiac at his trial. De Angelis wants F. H. La Guardia as counsel, but as Mr. La Guardia was out of town to-day, Justice Tierney remanded De Angelis back to Matteawan until Thursday when the hearing will be resumed.

## HELD IN ALLEGED \$4,000,000 RUM PLOT

Fleischman Official Charged  
With Forgery Permit  
in Canada.

MONTREAL, May 29.—Harry A. Grossberg, official of the Fleischman's Distillery Company of Cleveland, is under arrest here charged with forging a permit for the removal of \$4,000,000 worth of liquor with intent to defraud the United States Government last December. He pleaded not guilty.

The Attorney General's Department at Washington made the charges. Through counsel, Grossberg, upon arraignment before Extradition Commissioner Choquet, asked for and received a postponement for two days.

## MOTOR TRUCK BANGS INTO TROLLEY CAR

Drives It 100 Feet and Then  
on to the Curb, but No  
One Is Injured.

Half a dozen passengers and the motorman of a Webster Avenue trolley car had a narrow escape in the Bronx to-day when a 5-ton motor truck collided with the car at 134th Street, drove it 100 feet along the tracks and then on to the curb. No one was hurt.

The car was going south in Melrose Avenue, a continuation of Webster, and the truck westward, through the cross street. A misunderstanding of signals between John Hansen, the motorman, the driver, Messers, the chauffeur, brought the two vehicles together with a crash that was heard over the neighborhood. The truck struck the car vestibule and completely demolished it, remaining jammed in the wreckage. Neither vehicle could be stopped until the car brought up against the curb.

## GOV. MILLER TO VISIT STATEN ISLAND TO-DAY

Gov. Nathan L. Miller, who came to New York on Saturday accompanied by Mrs. Miller, will remain here until tomorrow afternoon, when he will return to Albany.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the Governor will go to Staten Island as the guest of the Chamber of Commerce there. After making a tour of the borough he will attend a dinner given by the Chamber and make an address at its open forum. To-morrow afternoon he will be the principal speaker at Memorial Day services held by the G. A. R. at Grant's Tomb. Gov. and Mrs. Miller are staying at the Hotel Gotham.

## J. S. BACHE & CO. DINNER.

In celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of the firm of J. S. Bache & Co., Jules B. Bache last night entertained his partners, executives and branch managers at a dinner at the New York Club, No. 24 West 40th Street. Thirty-five persons were present. Mr. Bache established the firm in 1892, after having been a member of Leopold Cahn & Co., which was established in 1879. Mr. Cahn became a special partner of J. S. Bache & Co.

## CONFESSES BIGAMY; WANTED KINDNESS

Alleged "Two-Trick" Wife  
Says She Never Lived  
With Second Mate.

FLINT, Mich., May 29.—Mrs. Lois Robuck-Spayer, in a cell charged with bigamy because neither of her husbands, Anthony Spayer, night policeman, and Henry Robuck, day factory employe, put up \$500 bond for her, to-day admitted the bigamy charge, but denied she was a "two-trick" wife.

Mrs. Robuck-Spayer went through a marriage ceremony with Spayer, she said, because he was kind to her and Robuck cruel, but, she declared, she never entered Spayer's home as his wife. "Love and kindness go a long way," she added. "I have not had either since my mother died ten years ago. That is why I took this step."

## N. Y. COMPENSATION LAW APPLIES TO DOCK MEN

Supreme Court Decision Affects  
All Pier Workers Here.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—The New York Workmen's Compensation Law applies to workmen on docks and wharves in that State, the Supreme Court held to-day.

The Court reversed the New York State Court's action in dismissing an award of damages to Giuseppe Insana, mother of Sebastian Insana, who died from effects of injuries sustained while working on a wharf in New York City. Insana was a Longshoreman for the Nordenholt Corporation.

## LONDON'S MOUNTED COPS USE TRUNCHEONS ON MOB

Unemployed Try to Parade Near  
Bank of England.

LONDON, May 29 (Associated Press).—Mounted police used their truncheons in order to control a group of unemployed paraders in the heart of London this afternoon. The marchers attempted to enter Queen Street, near the Bank of England, in order to cross Southwark Bridge.

Among the leaders of the parade who were arrested was a Councilman for the Battersea Borough, who was detained at the police station.

## TAG DAYS BANNED IN WASHINGTON

Police Decide Beauty Squads Have  
Overdone Things.

WASHINGTON, May 29 (Copyright).—Tag days are no more in the capital. The District Commissioners have decreed that no more permits shall be issued to beauty squads to hold up pedestrians in the name of sweet charity. Rumor has it that a United States Senator, who smilingly elected to be "it" by a great many fair collectors, was the power behind the issuance of the order.

## TAYLOR MURDER SUSPECT WAS ONCE UNDER ARREST HERE

Inspector Lahey Finds Do-  
ran's Fingerprints Those  
of "Leary."

POUGHKEEPSIE, May 29.—Word is now being awaited by county authorities from Los Angeles and Chicago police as to whether photographs and fingerprints of Frank Doran of Chicago, which have been forwarded, show that Doran had any connection with the shooting of William D. Taylor, motion picture director, or with the killing of Police Lieut. Lyons and Patrolman Moeller in the Chicago labor war. County officials said they still doubt that Doran is wanted in Chicago or Los Angeles.

The first answer to the description and measurements of Doran came to-day in a telegram from Chief Inspector Lahey of New York City, who said Doran was arrested in September, 1919, there under the name of Edward A. Leary, charged with grand larceny, and was discharged.

Doran now is held in the County Jail to await action by the Grand Jury. He is held as a result of his pistol enforced ride in the taxi of a Waterbury chauffeur from Connecticut to Dutchess County. A slip of paper, found in his pockets, bearing in his handwriting the memorandum: "Satisfy the authorities am not connected with Taylor case," is believed by the authorities only to be part of a brief which Doran, acting as his own counsel, had outlined for his case in advance of the hearing.

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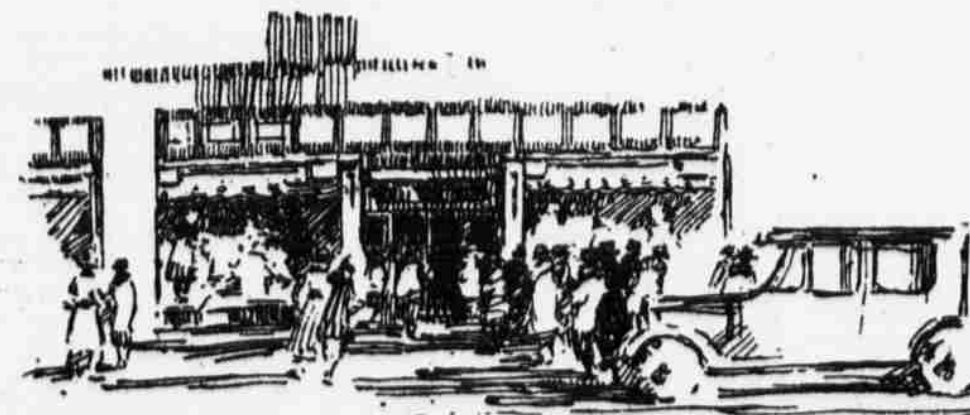
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